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BARRETT, CITY OFFICIALS ARE PREPARED FOR HOT WEEKEND City will provide relief from weekend temperatures expected to reach the 90s

MILWAUKEE – Mayor Tom Barrett, along with officials from the Milwaukee Health Department, Milwaukee Fire Department, Milwaukee Police Department, Milwaukee County Parks, Department of Public Works and Milwaukee Recreation have announced plans to keep city residents cool this weekend when temperatures are expected to be in the 90s.

"As temperatures rise, we have a responsibility to educate our residents on the health risks associated with hot weather and provide relief from the sweltering heat," said Barrett. "There are a number of options throughout the City for people to stay cool and comfortable including Cool Spots, wading pools, County pools, cooling centers and the public libraries. I encourage anyone looking for a way to beat the heat this weekend to utilize these resources."

Some of the locations throughout Milwaukee being made available include:

Cool Spots:

A number of Milwaukee Recreation Playgrounds will have industrial-strength sprinklers attached to fire hydrants for kids 5-17 years old this weekend from 12:00pm to 5:00pm. Locations are: 21st Street School (2121 W. Hadley St.), Auer Avenue (2221 W. Auer Ave.), Ben Franklin (2308 W. Nash St.), Carmen (7320 W. Carmen St.), Clarke (2816 W. Clarke St.), Columbia (1354 W. Columbia St.), Hopkins Street (1503 W. Hopkins St.), Starms Discovery (2035 N. 25th St.), and Wheatley (2442 N. 20th St.).

Wading pools:

These facilities will be open also from 12:00pm to 5:00pm on Saturday and Sunday for children ages 8 and under: Burbank (6035 W. Adler St.), Burnham (1755 S. 32nd St.), Enderis (2938 N. 72nd St.), Holt (1716 W. Holt Ave.), Merrill (461 N. 35th St.), Modrzejewski (1020 W. Cleveland), and Ohio (974 W. Holt Ave).

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County Pools:

Certain pools will have extended hours this weekend from 1:00pm to 7:00pm for people of all ages. Locations include: Holler (5151 S. 6th St.), Hales Corners (5765 S. New Berlin Rd.), Jackson (3500 W. Forest Home Ave.), Lincoln (1300 W. Glendale Ave.), McCarty (2567 S. 79th St.), Grobschmidt (2600 16th Ave.), Sheridan (4800 S. Lake Dr.) and Washington Park (1859 N. 40th St.)

Cooling Centers:

Air conditioned indoor rooms for people of all ages will be available at the Hillside Family Resource Center (1452 N. 7th St.) from 12:00pm to 4:00 pm on Saturday and 11:00am to 4:00pm on Sunday. The Silver Spring Neighborhood Center (5460 N. 64th St.) will be open Saturday and Sunday from 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm.

In addition to the locations above, residents can also find relief at any one of the following Milwaukee Public Libraries: Atkinson, Bay View, Capitol, East, Mill Road, Washington Park and Zablocki on Saturday from 10:00am to 5:00pm. The Central Library is open on Saturday from 9:00am to 5:30pm on Saturday. For more information on programs available or locations, call 286-CITY.